

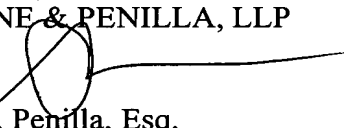
REMARKS

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2005. Claims 1-5 and 8 were indicated to be allowable. Claims 9-12 and 14-21 were rejected. Claim 1 was amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. To expedite the prosecution of the allowed claims, the Applicants have cancelled the rejected claims. However, the Applicants reserve the right to file any continuation application, if later desired, to pursue the subject matter cancelled herein.

As all outstanding issues have been addressed, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning the present amendment, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at (408) 749-6903. If any other fees are due in connection with filing this amendment, the Commissioner is also authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No ARTCP031). A duplicate copy of the transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

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